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For: METHOD OF ENTERING CHARACTERS INTO A TEXT

STRING AND A TEXT-EDITING TERMINAL USING THE

METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

August 3, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- However if the list of matching candidates found by the predictive editor does not include the word the user intends to enter (step 113), the editor application allows the user to enter the non-ambiguous word editor in step 114 and described with reference to the third display of fig. 5. Then the user can start to enter the characters one by one by pressing one of the alphanumeric keys 7 in step 115 for selecting a character group. If necessary the user may select other character from the selected character group in step 116 by pressing the "*+" key 66. The characters are entered one by one during steps 115-117 until the user is satisfied with the entered text string in step 117.

Then the user may in step 118 save the entered word in the user directory 41b and transfer the entered word to the text string in the predictive editor by pressing the "insert" softkey 8 at step 117. This is initiated from the sixth display in fig. 5 by selecting the "Option" menu. Here after the predictive editor will be enabled at step 106. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Page 13, line 1, insert -- What is claimed is: --

Please amend claims 3 and 4 as follows:

- 3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the user scrolls through the character list step by step by means of a key in the alphanumeric keypad dedicated for scrolling in an editor mode.
- 4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the user selects the appointed character by providing a new key stroke for selecting a character group including the following character.

Please add new claims 8 and 9 as follows:

- 8. A method according to claim 2, wherein the user scrolls through the character list step by step by means of a key in the alphanumeric keypad dedicated for scrolling in an editor mode.
- 9. A method according to claim 1, wherein the user selects the appointed character by providing a new key stroke for selecting a character group including the following character.--

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

A method of entering characters into a text string by means of a non-ambiguous word editor, includes that a user provides a

key stroke by pressing one of a plurality of alpha-numeric keys for selecting a character group comprising a plurality of characters for entering a desired character included in this group. Then a character from said character group is displayed upon detection of the keystroke. The user is allowed to scroll through the character included in the character group for appointing the desired character. Finally the user selects the appointed character to be inserted into the entered text.

REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up copy version of the changes made to the claims by the current Amendment. The attached page is captioned "version with markings to show changes made".

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Page 13, line 1, insert --What is claimed is:-Please amend claims 3 and 4 as follows:

- 3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1—or 2, wherein the user scrolls through the character list step by step by means of a key in the alphanumeric keypad dedicated for scrolling in an editor mode.
- 4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1—or 2, wherein the user selects the appointed character by providing a new key stroke for selecting a character group including the following character.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

A method of entering characters into a text string by means of a non-ambiguous word editor, includes that a user provides a key stroke by pressing one of a plurality of alpha-numeric keys for selecting a character comprising a plurality of characters for entering a desired character included in this group. Then a character from said displayed upon character group is detection keystroke. The user is allowed to scroll through the character included in the character group for appointing the desired character. Finally the user selects the appointed character to be inserted into the entered text.

Fig. 6.